

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A storage compartment for a vehicle, comprising:  
a base configured to be attached to a passenger compartment side portion of a vehicle roof; and  
a portable member including at least one pocket;  
wherein the portable member is configured for releasable engagement with the base.
2. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the pocket is configured to receive at least one of a CD, a DVD, a mini-disc, and a cassette therein.
3. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the at least one pocket includes a plurality of pockets aligned one upon the other in an offset manner such that a portion of each pocket is exposed relative to a consecutive pocket.
4. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the portable member includes a storage pouch.
5. The storage compartment of claim 4, wherein the storage pouch comprises a mesh material.
6. The storage compartment of claim 1, further comprising a cover coupled to the base.

7. The storage compartment of claim 6, wherein the cover is moveable between an open position and a closed position.
8. The storage compartment of claim 6, wherein the cover is configured to extend from a first end of the base to a second end of the base when the cover is in a closed position.
9. The storage compartment of claim 6, wherein the at least one pocket includes a plurality of pockets and the cover is configured to substantially cover the plurality of pockets when the cover is in a closed position.
10. The storage compartment of claim 6, wherein the cover is rotatably coupled to the base.
11. The storage compartment of claim 6, wherein the cover is slidably coupled to the base.
12. The storage compartment of claim 6, wherein the cover is coupled to the base by a hinge attached therebetween.
13. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the base includes an elastic strap configured to extend from a first end of the base to a second end of the base.

14. The storage compartment of claim 13, wherein the at least one pocket includes a plurality of pockets configured to receive at least one of a CD, a DVD, a mini-disc, and a cassette therein, and wherein the strap is configured to retain the at least one of a CD, a DVD, a mini-disc, and a cassette in the plurality of pockets.

15. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the vehicle roof includes an interior portion having a surface facing generally toward a passenger compartment, and wherein the base is configured to be recessed within the interior portion such that a surface of the base is substantially coplanar with the surface of the interior portion when the base is attached to the roof.

16. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the base comprises a polymeric material.

17. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the base includes a front surface configured to releasably engage with the portable member and a rear surface configured to be attached to the vehicle roof.

18. The storage compartment of claim 17, wherein the rear surface includes an attachment mechanism for attaching the base to the vehicle roof.

19. The storage compartment of claim 18, wherein the attachment mechanism includes an aperture configured to receive a screw.

20. The storage compartment of claim 18, wherein the attachment mechanism comprises at least one interlocking clip configured to engage with a corresponding clip disposed on the vehicle roof.

21. The storage compartment of claim 18, wherein the attachment mechanism comprises an adhesive.

22. The storage compartment of claim 18, wherein the attachment mechanism includes at least one elongated locating member projecting outwardly from the base and configured to engage with a corresponding aperture disposed on the vehicle roof.

23. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the base includes a lower surface and an edge portion disposed along a periphery of the lower surface, wherein the edge portion projects outwardly from the lower surface.

24. The storage compartment of claim 23, wherein the lower surface of the base includes a first fastening member and a surface of the portable member includes a second fastening member configured to releasably engage with the first fastening member.

25. The storage compartment of claim 24, wherein the first and second fastening members comprise hook and loop type fasteners.

26. The storage compartment of claim 24, wherein the first and second fastening members comprise magnetic fasteners.

27. The storage compartment of claim 24, wherein the first and second fastening members comprise interlocking clips.

28. The storage compartment of claim 24, wherein the first and second fastening members comprise snaps.

29. The storage compartment of claim 23, wherein the edge portion of the base includes a c-channel disposed along an interior of the edge portion, and wherein the c-channel is configured to receive a peripheral edge of the portable member.

30. The storage compartment of claim 29, wherein the lower surface of the base slopes upward from a first end of the base toward a second end of the base so that the peripheral edge of the portable member can be slidably received in the c-channel when the base is recessed within a portion of the vehicle roof.

31. The storage compartment of claim 23, wherein the edge portion comprises first and second side edges disposed on opposite sides of the lower surface, wherein at least one retaining member is disposed on an upper surface of the first side edge and projects beyond the first side edge toward the second side edge, wherein the retaining member is configured to locate and retain the portable member in the base.

32. The storage compartment of claim 31, wherein the base includes a first snap member disposed on the lower surface near an end of the second side edge and a second snap member disposed on the lower surface near an opposite end of the second side edge, wherein the first and second snap members are configured to engage with corresponding snap members disposed on the portable member.

33. The storage compartment of claim 1, wherein the base is configured to be mounted to the vehicle roof such that the storage compartment can be at least partially obscured from view by a sun visor when the sun visor is in a stored position.

34. A vehicle including the storage compartment of claim 1.

35. The vehicle of claim 34, wherein the vehicle includes a headliner extending from the roof toward a passenger compartment and defining an interior surface of the roof of the passenger compartment, and wherein the base is recessed within the headliner such that a surface of the base and a surface of the headliner are substantially flush.

36. A portable media storage device, comprising:  
a support member including a front surface and a back surface; and  
at least one pocket disposed on the front surface of the support member;  
wherein the support member is configured to releasably engage with a base recessed within a passenger compartment side portion of a vehicle roof.

37. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the pocket is configured to receive at least one of a CD, a DVD, a mini-disc, and a cassette therein.

38. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the at least one pocket includes a plurality of pockets aligned one upon the other in an offset manner such that a portion of each pocket is exposed relative to a consecutive pocket.

39. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the support member includes a storage pouch.

40. The storage device of claim 39, wherein the storage pouch comprises a mesh material.

41. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the back surface of the support member includes at least one hook and loop type fastener configured to releasably engage with a corresponding fastener disposed on the base.

42. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the back surface of the support member includes at least one magnetic fastener configured to releasably engage with a corresponding fastener disposed on the base.

43. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the back surface of the support member includes at least one interlocking clip configured to releasably engage with a corresponding fastener disposed on the base.

44. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the back surface of the support member includes at least one snap configured to releasably engage with a corresponding fastener disposed on the base.

45. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the support member includes a peripheral edge configured to be received in a c-channel disposed along an interior of an edge portion of the base so that the support member can slidably engage with the base.

46. The storage device of claim 36, wherein the support member is configured to be located and retained in the base by at least one retaining member disposed on an upper surface of an edge portion of the base and projecting over the edge portion toward an opposite edge portion of the base.

47. A vehicle including the storage device of claim 36.

48. The vehicle of claim 47, wherein the vehicle includes a headliner extending from the vehicle roof toward a passenger compartment and defining an interior surface of the roof of the passenger compartment and a base configured to be releasably engaged with the support member, wherein the base is recessed within the headliner such that a surface of the base and a surface of the headliner are substantially flush.

49. A removable storage compartment for a vehicle, comprising:
- means for storing recorded media; and
  - means for removably attaching the means for storing recorded media to a passenger compartment roof portion of the vehicle.